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1. (Amended) A retaining and fixing structure of raised floor holder, comprising:

a holder body having a screw hole thereon;

a pipe cover disposed at a top of said holder body, and having a large-diameter portion and a small-diameter portion situated below said large-diameter portion, a retaining groove being annularly disposed on said small-diameter portion of said pipe cover, said small-diameter portion being matched inside said top of said holder body; and

a fixing stud screwed into said screw hole of said holder body, a first end of said fixing stud being matched into said retaining groove of said pipe cover and a second end joined to a circular turn knob, said circular turn knob having a knurled perimeter edge.

REMARKS:

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Official Action dated 15 October 2002. Responsive to the rejections made in the Official Action, Claim 2 has been cancelled by this Amendment and the subject matter thereof incorporated in the now/amended Claim 1.

In the Official Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lemmo (4,044,979) in view of Marshall (4,934,706).

Additionally, the Examiner rejected Claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lemmo (4,044,979) in view of Marshall (4,934,706) and further in view of Heath (5,947,424).

However, the Examiner kindly indicated that Claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims.

Accordingly, Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter therein, effectively rewriting Claim 2 in independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Therefore, pending Claims 1, 3-5 should now be allowable.

It is now believed that the subject Patent Application has been placed in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

*This Amendment was prepared by Applicant, and is being submitted
without substantive change by the undersigned Attorney.*

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